

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**INITIAL APPEARANCE  
on Criminal Complaint**

v.

**YOUSEF OMAR BARASNEH**

**CASE NUMBER 20-mj-861**

HONORABLE WILLIAM E. CALLAHAN, presiding  
Deputy Clerk: Amanda Chasteen  
Hearing Held: January 17, 2020 at 2:30 PM

Court Reporter: Liberty  
Hearing Began: 2:35:25 PM  
Hearing Ended: 3:06:26 PM

**Appearances:**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA by: Ben Proctor

YOUSEF OMAR BARASNEH, in person, and by: John Campion

☐ CJA ☒ FDS ☐ RET

U.S. PROBATION OFFICE by: Jesse Sorkness

INTERPRETER: ☒ None ☐ Sworn

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- ☒ Defendant advised of rights
  - ☒ Court orders counsel appointed
    - ☐ Defendant to reimburse at \$ Amount per month
  - ☒ Defendant advised of charges, penalties, and fines
  - ☒ **Preliminary Hearing/Arrestment and Plea TO BE SET**
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Maximum Penalties: GOVT speaks to charges and possible penalties.

**BOND**

GOVT seeking detention

- Speaks to evidence collected as to deft. Neo-Nazi groups, and is active on message boards. Has attended firearms training with fellow members of hate groups.
- When deft was arrested today, in his home, in his bed, deft had a loaded firearm next to him. Deft does pose a safety risk to the community and should be detained.
- If deft is released, requesting deft be placed on home detention.

PTS recommends release with condition

DEFENSE argues for release with conditions

- Deft is employed part-time, and resides with his parents. His mother would be willing to act as a third custodian.
- Deft has no criminal history, and has deep roots in the community. Does think there are conditions of release that can overcome the govt's concerns.
- Proffers GPS monitoring, and is agreeable to having an exclusion zone set.

COURT statements to defendant prior to ruling

- Speaks to the factors that dictate detention.
- Orders deft be released with conditions.